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RESPONSES TO REGULATORY AGENCY COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT ECOLOGICAL RISK ASSESSMENT ADDENDUM FOR INSTALLATION RESTORATION PROGRAM SITES 5 AND 11 – NAVAL BASE VENTURA COUNTY, POINT MUGU, CALIFORNIA (SLIC NO. 282, PCA NO. 16547)

Dear Mr. Gonzales:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) staff have completed our review of the July 7, 2005, document titled *Responses to Regulatory Agency Comments on the Draft Ecological Risk Assessment Addendum for Installation Restoration Program Sites 5 and 11*. The document, prepared by Tetra Tech EM, Inc., was received by the Regional Board on July 12, 2005.

The Regional Board does not have an ecological risk assessor assigned to this project. Regional Board staff are relying on the ecological risk assessment expertise of the Department of Toxic Substances Control and the California Department of Fish and Game for this project. Surface water ecological risk issues appear to be adequately addressed by staff of these agencies.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Peter Raftery at (213) 576-6724.

Sincerely,

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